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CLAIM (S)**EXHIBIT "A"**

What we claim is:

1-6 (Canceled)

7. (Currently amended) A protector pad for use with a piece of furniture
5 with legs, ~~the said pad being constituted of~~ comprising a flat body of a
certain thickness and two pad faces:

- a lower pad face (22) which is soft, destined to slide against delicate
surfaces without scratching them and,
- an upper pad face (26); ~~said second pad face~~ destined to be fixed to the
10 bottom of said leg (28) of said piece of furniture, ~~the said flat body being~~
~~is~~ constituted of two pieces, each having a certain thickness : a base (32)
and a sole (34); ~~the said base~~ comprising a fabric (38) with a superior
face forming said upper pad face and wherein an inferior face (36)
~~comprises~~ comprising first means for assembly; ~~said the sole~~ comprising a
15 lower layer (46) whose inferior face forms said lower pad face (22), a
central layer (48) comprising a reinforced material and an upper layer
(42) with a superior face (43) comprising second means for assembly;
~~said means for assembly destined to assemble said sole (34) to said base~~
(32), wherein said first means of assembly comprise ~~constitute of a~~
20 number of grabbing member hooks (36) having a mushroom shape.

8. (Original) The protector pad of claim 7 wherein said second means of
assembly (42) comprise fibers forming arches (44).

9. (Currently amended) The protector pad of claim 8 wherein the material
of said upper layer (42) of said sole (34) comprises a felt the fibers
25 thereof forming is felt in which the fibers form said arches.

10. (Original) The protector pad of claim 9 wherein said felt comprises
materials from a group comprising polyester and natural fibers.

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11. (Currently amended) The protector pad ~~wherein said sole (34) of~~
~~claim 7 comprising also a central layer (48) in addition to said inferior~~
~~and superior layers, said central layer constituted of a~~ wherein said
reinforced material of said central layer of said sole is free from low melt
5 fibers.

12. (Original) The protector pad of claim 11 wherein said superior layer
(42) and inferior (46) layers are made of felt material.

13. (Original) The protector pad of claim 12 wherein said felt material
consists either of polyester or natural fibers.

10 14. (Currently amended) The protector pad of claim 11 wherein said ~~upper~~
~~(42) and lower (46) layers are made of felt material and wherein said~~
~~reinforced material is hardened felt obtained by making the sole material~~
~~from two sheets of felt put into contact and where the region of contact is~~
~~exposed to heat thus temporarily melting the surface felt which hardens~~
15 ~~once both sheets are in contact.~~